

Intimation.

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FROM THE CELEBRATED
COOLALTA VINEYARDS,
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THE COOLALTA WINES which we are introducing here for the first time give an exceptional opportunity to Wine Connoisseurs to sample really HIGH CLASS AUSTRALIAN WINES of low alcoholic strength.
COOLALTA WINES cannot be surpassed for their absolute Purity, High and Even Quality, Bouquet, and soft delicate flavor; and being the natural product of the grape, they are specially recommended by the Medical Faculty of New South Wales.
COOLALTA WINES have obtained the HIGHEST AWARDS at all the principal International Exhibitions of the World.
A careful Analysis of these Wines was recently made by the Government of New South Wales. They were found to be PERFECTLY PURE, SOUND and THOROUGHLY FERMENTED WINES.
SAMPLES may be had FREE on application to Messrs. CALDER, MACGREGOR & Co., Sole Agents for Hongkong.

Hongkong, 4th February, 1897. [245]

Today's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALL

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR
DRAMATIC CLUB

WILL GIVE PERFORMANCES OF
"LES CLOCHES DE CORNEVILLE,"
ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:—

TO-NIGHT
(WEDNESDAY) the 24th February, 1897.
SATURDAY, the 27th February, 1897.
TUESDAY, the 2nd March, 1897.

Doors Open each Night at 8.30 P.M.
Performance at 9 P.M., precisely.
PRICES:—\$3, \$2 and \$1.

Hall-price to Soldiers, Sailors and Police in Uniform.

LATE TRAMS will run 4 hours after the fall of the Curtain.

The Booking Office at the THEATRE ROYAL is open
From 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. daily.

E. W. MITCHELL,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1897. [244]

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FRERESONS' HALL, Zealand Street, THIS EVENING, the 24th instant, at 8.30 p.m., precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1897. [312]

THE HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.
RACQUET TOURNAMENT.

THE ANNUAL CONTEST for the CHAMPIONSHIP and the DOUBLE HANDICAP will take place during MARCH.

Entries Close on the 3rd March.

LISTS have been placed for Signature at the RACQUET COURT and at the HONGKONG CLUB, Hongkong, 24th February, 1897. [350]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship

"NANCHANG,"
Captain Finlayson, will be dispatched as above on SATURDAY, the 6th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1897. [351]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MENSES and other Large Consumers.

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [427]

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A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits, and enabling us to supply the best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

PRICE LISTS, with Full Details, to be had on Application.

PORT after removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the DISPENSARY before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner Wines of very superior Vintages. All are true Xeres Wines.

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BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure COGNAC, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKEY.—All our Whiskey is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKEY marked "E" is universally popular, and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 15th September, 1896. [6]

MARRIAGE.

At Union Church, Hongkong, on the 24th instant, by the Rev. G. J. Williams, JAMES BLAIR, to JANE MITCHELL BROWN, second daughter of James Brown, of Greenock, Scotland.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1897.

REUTER'S MESSAGE.

THE EASTERN IMBROGLIO.
BOMBARDMENT OF THE CAMP AT CANCA.

LONDON, February 22nd.
The Powers have tampered the Camp at Canca owing to the refusal of the insurgents to stop a fusillade. Seventy shells were fired, the British firing the first. The cannonade lasted twenty-five minutes. A German cruiser fired mellite shells. The insurgents fled.

INDIAN FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

A second remittance of Rs. 20,000 has been wired to the Honorary Secretary, Central Committee of the India Famine Relief Fund, Calcutta.
The Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, Hon. Secretary to the Committee of the India Famine Relief Fund, has forwarded to us for publication the following copy of a telegram received to-day from the Hon. Secretary of the Famine Fund Committee, Calcutta.

Hon. Secretary, Famine Fund, Calcutta.
To
Chairman, Famine Fund, Hongkong.
Warmest thanks second contribution. No question as to reality of famine. Missionary reporting from Jabalpur on 15th states that of 982 starving wretches admitted Poor-house one in seven died of exhaustion notwithstanding every care.
This afternoon the Honorary Treasurer of this Fund forwarded to us a fresh list of contributions, showing that the local fund now amounts to \$44,460.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Russian cruiser *Zabala* left for Nagasaki to-day.

A MEETING of the Sanitary Board will be held at 4.15 p.m. to-morrow.

THE Russian *Konigstein* *Wilhelmina der Niederlande* arrived at Nagasaki on the 15th instant.

WOLVES have appeared in the north of Kyengsang (Korea) and killed over twenty persons, as well as large numbers of domestic animals.

In the *Graphic* of 16th January there appears a portrait of Mrs. E. M. H. Carew, the central figure in the notorious poisoning case at Yokohama.

GOOD samples of diamonds, rubies, and other stones have been found on Kangaroo Island (Queensland) and numbers of prospectors have gone there.

THE Volunteers have selected a very formidable team to meet the West York's challenge for shooting. Satisfactory arrangements have been made and we hear that the shooting will take place at Kowloon on Saturday next.

In their *Weekly Share Report* issued this afternoon Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—In spite of our annual race meeting having interfered with business, a very considerable amount has been transacted and rates in several instances show a marked advance.

12K returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended Feb. 21st are:—Europeans, 115; Chinese, 2915; total 3,030.

FOUR stealing a quantity of nails from the Kowloon Dock a coolie was to-day rusticated for 28 days with hard labour.

CHAM TSIU was fined \$10 to-day for failing to report to the proper authorities that a man in his house was suffering from small-pox.

In consequence of the Maroonic Dance, the Lecture by Mr. W. Macbeth, at the Odd Volume rooms, on "The Chinaman as a Soldier" has been postponed till Friday, the 16th of March, at 5.15 p.m. His Excellency Major-General Wilsons Black, C.B., will take the chair.

THE *Pha Chua Chom Kiao* was placed in quarantine to-day, on arrival from Bangkok, owing to a case of what a Doctor describes as varicoid being discovered among the passengers. The man was promptly removed to Kennedy-town Hospital. Varicoid is, according to *Webster*, a disease resembling small-pox.

It is certainly an instance of filial piety, says the *Japan Mail*, when a son agrees to spend three years in a Korean gaol instead of his father. A youth called Hong has been discovered performing that filial act in Seoul. The elder Hong had been sentenced to three years' penal servitude for maliciously decaying the grave of a neighbour's father. His son went to prison in his stead, and had put in several months of the sentence before the truth was found out.

ATTENTION is called in the *Times of Ceylon* to recent attempts to secure a reduction in the telegraph rates to the East, but the opposition of the Eastern Telegraph Co. and the Indo-European Co. has always been sufficient to put a stop to them. But a reduction is to be made very shortly from 4s. to 3s. a word, and the Telegraph Conference has practically decided to abolish all Codes but one. It is interesting to read in this respect that the report of the Indo-European Telegraph Department for 1895-96 shows that the profits rose by about a lakh of rupees, the net earnings exceeding 50 lakhs.

The members of the City Club had a pleasant gathering at the Club-house last evening, when they met at dinner. An enjoyable repast was provided by Messrs. Mader and Farmer of the "Vic" and the string band of the West Yorks played some selection. The toast of "The Queen" was "Trade and commerce of Hongkong." "The Ladies," "Navy, Army, and Auxiliary Forces," and "City Club" were all duly honoured. After dinner the annual report of the Club was submitted to the members and on the motion of the Chairman was unanimously adopted.

We note that the St. Petersburg *Novoye Vremya* advocates the adoption of joint international sanitary measures to prevent the outbreak of the plague in India from spreading to other countries. The adoption of such measures, the writer observes, should not be affected by considerations of the damage which might thereby result to British mercantile interests. With regard to the famine in India, the same paper says: "There has been much ado about the relief to be afforded by Russia to the famine sufferers in India, but it has so far only resulted in the public subscriptions raised by several Russian papers reaching the meagre total of 15,000 roubles."

A RATHER good story (says the Paris correspondent of *The Freeman's Journal*) is told in Paris about the late Mgr. Fabre, Archbishop of Montreal, whose French sympathies were well-known. He was dining with the Governor-General of the Dominion and staff one evening, and in the course of conversation used the expression "France our mother." "France your mother!" repeated the Governor-General with surprise. "What about England, then?" "Oh," replied the prelate without moving a muscle, "England is our mother-in-law." The recorder of this *bon mot* does not state how it was received by the Governor-General and his assistants.

DR. BERTILSON, a French savant, again utters a cry of alarm and lamentation over the results of the most recent census in France. These results, he says, "are terrifying. I see with deep grief," he continues, "but with perfect clearness, the proof of the approaching disappearance of our country." The following brief table shows the chief grounds upon which he bases his predictions:—

Departments with decreasing population:—
Departments with increasing population:—
The figures are certainly eloquent. The decrease is general, except in those departments which contain the great cities; whilst even Brittany, which hitherto has been a bright exception, is now among the regions of waning population. During the past five years whilst the population of Germany has increased by three millions, France can only show the insignificant increase of 175,027.

THE *Tiki Shampo* states that Sub-Lieutenant Kasai Kenjiro, first-class boatswain Takagawa Katara, and a sailor in the Kure Marine Depot, have each been sentenced by a Naval Court of Inquiry to imprisonment with hard labour for two years and one month, and three others to various lighter sentences, for having subjected a sailor to torture. The victim was suspected of having stolen some money belonging to another man on board, and in order to make him confess to the theft the prisoners subjected him to torture, with the result that he died. This happened in August last, and some comments were made on the matter at the time.

A third-class boatswain, who was accused of being implicated in the matter, was acquitted. At the time this case occurred it was stated in certain Japanese papers that torture to obtain "confessions" was not uncommon in the Japanese navy, and we (*Kobe Chronicle*) are glad to see that a Naval Court of Inquiry has thus condemned the practice, though to Western minds "two years' hard labour for a petty thief" would appear to be an extremely light sentence.

THE annual request contest for the Championship and the Double Handicap under the auspices of the Hongkong Cricket Club will take place during March. Entries close on the 3rd prox. Lists have been placed in the Hongkong Club and at the Racquet Court for intending competitors to attach their signatures.

WHEN the ugly iron davits fixed to the Praya wall between old Pedder's Wharf and the Market to be removed? For some months past there has been inefficient water alongside the wall to allow of the davits being used and many of them are bent out of their original position and have anything-but-a-pleasing appearance, while they are all so corroded and honeycombed by the action of the weather as to be of no value whatever except as old iron. Why not throw them into the adjoining mud-swamp? Every little helps, and help seems to be sadly needed in the matter of filling in and obliterating this very offensive nuisance.

PARTICULARS of the collision between the Nippon Yusen Kaisha's steamer *Echigo Maru* and H.M.S. *Narcissus* in Chemoipo, as published in the *Japan Mail*, show that the former vessel, when going dead slow, refused to obey her helm, and drifted right across the bows of the latter. The ram of the *Narcissus* tore a hole in the side of the *Echigo Maru*, amidsides, chiefly of course below the water-line. The hole opened partly into the coal bunkers, and partly into the engine room, and the ship's engines could be seen plainly from the outside. Her water-tight compartments alone kept her afloat. The inflowing tide held her fixed on the ram for over an hour, and she was ultimately towed by the Company's tug to the sandbank between the Station and Observation Island. She will be temporarily repaired and then sent to Nagasaki. Her cargo, consisting mainly of oranges and straw bales, was stowed between decks, and was not damaged. The *Narcissus* suffered no injury whatever.

In our Australian mail news yesterday we published a London message stating that the Countess Cowley had obtained a divorce from her husband for cruelty and adultery. The following particulars of the parties may be interesting.—The Countess Cowley was formerly Lady Violet Nevill, and is the youngest (widow) daughter of the Marquis of Abergavenny. She was born in 1866, and married in 1889. Earl Cowley, then Viscount Dangan. There is issue of the marriage one child, Christian Arthur Viscount Dangan, born December 25th, 1890. The Earl has previously been prominently before the public, having some years since been forced to heavily compensate Miss Phyllis Broughton, the well-known actress, for breach of promise of marriage. The legal proceedings were doubtless watched with great interest by the Viceroyal circle in Melbourne, as Lady Cowley's sister, Lady Idina Mary, is the wife of the Hon. T. Brassey, Lord Brassey's eldest son, while her brother, Lord Richard Plantagenet Nevill, is private secretary to Lord Brassey.

THE *Sekai-no Yomi* prefers a grave accusation against Count Okuma, namely, that his incompetence has resulted in making Japan suffer much indignity at the hands of Foreign Powers, in connection with the seizure of the *Empress Dowager*. When the late Tar died, writes this paper, did the Japanese Court observed strict mourning for the space of three days. It was confidently expected that similar courtesy would be shown by the Powers on the present occasion. But to the surprise of everyone, that mark of international respect has been shown by Korea alone, all the European Powers confining themselves to sending short messages of condolence. For the omission of this act of international courtesy the Powers should not be held responsible. The fault must rather be laid at the door of the Japanese Foreign Minister. Had Count Okuma enjoyed confidence and influence among the Foreign Representatives, a mere hint from him would have saved Japan and the Japanese Court from this indignity. The *Sekai-no Yomi* wants to know what explanation the Count can offer to the Court and the people.

INTERESTING BRIBERY CASE.

A CONSTABLE CHARGED WITH "SQUEEZE PIDGIN."

At the Magistrate's this afternoon the hearing of a charge of misconduct against Chinese Constable Tam Hsu was resumed. At the first hearing of the case some days ago two Chinese hawkers gave evidence, the first, See Chun, saying that another man had come to him in three different months for money for the defendant, and he paid 70 cents on two occasions. The third time he did not pay and the man destroyed all his vegetables. The second witness, Tam Kong was recalled to-day by Mr. K. W. Mounsey, who appeared for the defence. He said he had twice received money from men to give the defendant. A vegetable hawker named Lla Wal told witness that defendant was always pursuing him for causing an obstruction. Lla Wal had also told him last year that the defendant pursued him for selling inside the prohibited boundary. Lla Wal had given witness a dollar to give to defendant, saying it was "to drink tea." A fish hawker, Ah Fek, who gave him a dollar for defendant, had been charged at the Police Court and fined. Defendant did not refuse to accept the two dollars from Lla Wal and Ah Fek when witness took them to him. Pressed by Mr. Mounsey, witness swore positively that the money was accepted. Defendant, witness said, was his clansman and he had heard that defendant was constantly prosecuting hawkers for breaking the law. Witness heard the witnesses in this case talk with other hawkers and say they would try to get the defendant into trouble. Some of these people had been prosecuted by the defendant.

To the Bench.—He did not know the people who threatened defendant, and he did not know if they were witnesses.

To Mr. Mounsey.—Witness knew See Chun, he had heard that defendant had cut up his

vegetables. He (witness) had been before the Court three times last year.

Wong Fok, fish hawker in the Western market, deposed that while hawking fish in the market last December defendant chased him and told him not to sell fish there or he would arrest him. On the next day, defendant told witness that if he wanted to sell fish there he would have to pay him \$2 per month, and witness agreed. The same afternoon he took the money to him at the market; defendant refused to receive it, but told witness to give it to Kong and it would be all right. Witness gave the dollars to Kong, who took them to defendant. After this witness continued to sell without further molestation until January 20th, when his month was up. He had not hawked since. Witness used to hawk fish on the market steps with other men, and he knew it was an offence. He had never been charged before.

Mr. Mounsey here asked for the production of the charge book for December last in order to compare it with an entry in defendant's notebook. Witness, concluding, again denied that he had been charged at the Court. He did not offer the defendant \$2 until he asked for it. He had never paid any money to European constables.

Lla Wal, vegetable hawker, gave evidence that he paid \$1 to defendant through Kong. Defendant in December last came to witness in Fat Hing St., and asked him for \$1 a month saying it was "to drink tea," and then he would chase him away. Witness agreed and handed the money to Tam Kong, who was with defendant. On December 29th, last witness gave 50 cents to Kong for defendant.

To Mr. Mounsey.—An Indian constable had charged witness with causing an obstruction and he was fined \$3. The defendant asked witness for the money first and when Ah Kong offered it he (defendant) did not refuse to take it. U Chow deposed that he was a licensed hawk and while in Cleveland St. defendant told him that if he wanted to sell there he would have to give him money before he could do so. He asked for \$3 per month and witness gave him the sum as he said he would arrest him if he did not. The other witnesses were unknown to witness. The \$3 was subscribed by six other men and witness. They were all hawkers and defendant had threatened them with arrest unless they paid him.

To Mr. Mounsey.—Defendant had threatened witness several times before for hawking inside the limits.

AUSTRALIAN NEWS LETTER.

(From our own Correspondent.)

SYDNEY, January 27th.
The weather has been "hot, cold, hot," of late, and the ice-cream Dago's bugle is heard in all the highways and byways of the city and suburbs. Some of our days lately have been agreeable enough, and we have had some welcome but all too short-lived thunderstorms, with heavy rain, which our parched and thirsty parks and gardens drank up so greedily that they were as dry as ever in a few hours.

Our bi-national holiday, "Anniversary Day," was favoured with fine weather barring a thunderstorm at 3 p.m. but all the many holiday pleasures were enjoyed with that gusto for which your true Australian is noted. The Anniversary Regatta was the event of the day, and our beautiful harbour and its charming breezes presented a picture that was very pleasing. All the shipping at the Quay, along the private wharves and at anchor in the various bays were decked out in bunting and the harbour itself was fairly alive with boats, from the shapely 40-ton yachts down to the tiny dinghies with their enormous sails, and rowing craft were also in evidence, from the big double-banked navy cutters and racing lights down to diminutive canoes with one solitary paddler. The handsome Messageries Maritimes *Argentine* made a comely flag-ship and every point along the North Shore, Miller's Point and Balmain was gay with people and crowded with spectators. We had the Queensland sailing crackers down, but they go home prisoners this time.

I don't know whether you get hallatons in your far Eastern home, but what do you think of this one on the Malacca (rugar and malice district) a few days ago? Nearly half the late malice was ruined, but the early malice fared better, the loss being not nearly so great in the young canes, which presents a miserable appearance. It is impossible to give the correct estimate of the damage done, but one practical farmer estimates his losses at £200. The total damages are not far short of £2000. Galvanised iron roofs were riddled beyond repair, and many houses will require new from. To make it worse rain is badly wanted in the district.

The Union Steamship Company is keeping its place as the P. & O. of Australia. Their new boat for the Sydney, New Zealand and Fisco trade, the *Albatross*, was launched at Denny's yards, Dumbarton, last month, and is expected in June. The *Albatross* takes the place of the *Monowai*, which steamer goes into the intercolonial trade. The dimensions of the new steamer are: Length 360ft, breadth 44ft, and depth 34ft. She will have a burden capacity of 4700 tons. The *Albatross* is expected to average fifteen knots an hour, loaded, when running in the service. Her fittings are said to surpass those of any steamship sailing the Pacific, and her machinery will be of the very latest pattern. She had saloon accommodation for 200 passengers, nearly half of whom may occupy deck cabins.

In this age of enterprising people are never tired of experimenting with diving gear. A trial of a new patent on the first instant resulted in Diver Madsen being drowned in the harbour in 27 fathoms in McQuillan's new dress. It was intended Madsen should go down in 30 fathoms, but the current was too strong at that depth. He was down 20 fathoms, and a cry of alarm was lowered with him. Before Madsen descended a pressure of gold to the square hole was pumped, but the diver said it was too strong, and the pressure was reduced gradually to 10lb. The peculiarity of McQuillan's patent is that instead of the air that is pumped to the diver escaping through the dress, and thence to the surface, it is conveyed by an exhaust pipe to the surface after it has passed through the helmet or armoured with which the diver is encased. After Madsen had been down 20 fathoms it was reported that he would not answer his signal. Twice the signal was made but no answer given. Upon the suggestion of an experienced diver, Madsen was immediately hoisted up, and, when the glass rose 10 ft

moved the spectators were horrified to see the man apparently lifeless. When the dress had been removed, Madsen appeared to be quite dead, and when the legs were taken out of the dress a large quantity of water escaped. This showed that there had been a leakage. It is surmised that the diver fainted soon after descending, and that on reaching the bottom he fell over, and was suffocated by the water which leaked into the dress.

Our Civil servants are kicking, as the Americans say, against contributing a percentage of their earnings to the Superannuation Fund and no less than 6,325, two-thirds of the number, have notified the Public Service Board that they are going to withdraw. Judging by the way many of them have been treated, they have done quite right.

Federation probably does not trouble the "Gibraltar of the East" very much, but poor blighted constables are up to our necks in the Council met at Hobart on the 26th and the following were the representatives: Queensland, Messrs. T. J. Byrnes, J. R. Dickson, M. L. A. M. A. H. Barlow, and B. D. Morehead; M.L.A.C. and Sir Hugh Nelson (Premier); Tasmania, Sir Edward Braddon, Messrs. Douglas, Dobson, Clark, and Sir Philip Fysh; Victoria, Sir George Turner, Mr. Cuthbert, M.L.C., Sir John McIntyre, M.L.A.; West Australia, Sir John Forrest (Premier), Mr. J. W. Hackett, Mr. H. B. Lefroy, and Sir James Lee; New Zealand, M.L.A.C., Mr. E. C. Newell. This is good for the Hobart hotel keepers if nobody else. Our own Premier had a three column advt. in the papers offering himself as a sacrifice on the altar of duty to his country, as Federal representative.

The gold robbery from the *Seydlitz* is recalled just now by the disappearance of a box containing £5000 from the P. & O. R.M.S. *Oceanic*. A steward named Armstrong, late an English soldier, deserted the vessel before she left Melbourne for home, but he has turned up and known nothing of the affair.

From Perth (W.A.) comes news that a daring highway robbery has taken place at Coolgardie. Mr. Jno. Mitchell, the manager of Barbank's Birthday Mine, and Mr. J. W. Paul, the manager of the North Barbank's Mine, were relieved of the sum of £700 by three disguised men, who threatened to use their rifles if any resistance was offered. The two managers were going in a buggy in the direction of the mines, and when about a mile and a half from Coolgardie they were suddenly surprised by three men on horseback.

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Our political parties, both freetrade and protectionist, are never happy families and the latest news is that a vigorous canvass is being made among freetrade members of the Legislative Assembly, with a view to form a fourth party in Parliament. The members moving in this have for a long time past made no secret of their discontent, and, although the majority of them have during former sessions loyally backed up the Reid Ministry, they say that they have had enough of the Government, and will in future run as the "Independent progressive party." "Once bitten, twice shy," said one of these members, "and we have been bitten too often. Next session the Government won't have such a smooth time." Post look-out for the *Haward* staff and press gallery men.

THE AUSTRALIAN HORRORS.

MORE VICTIMS.

Australian exchanges received yesterday report the proceedings at the inquest on the murdered man Burgess, who went out prospecting with Butler alias Harwood. Friends of the deceased have positively identified the remains. The bullet wound to Burgess's skull was exactly similar in position to those found on the skulls of Les Walker and Pison, and the bullet itself was of the same calibre in each instance. Several witnesses saw Burgess and Harwood together, the latter being readily identified in "Butler" photos. Burgess bought a wiggonette and two horses for the trip, and after he had disappeared Butler offered to sell them to a farmer, saying his late companion was only a tramp to whom he had given a lift on the road. The body was found buried a little below the surface by two rabbit hunters, whose attention was drawn to the place by a dog named One. One witness had seen the deceased and Butler sinking a shaft in August last and it was on the 13th of that month they left Sydney together. The last time Burgess was seen alive was on August 2nd.

From Gungah (N.S.W.) the Sydney police have received news of another missing miner, named D. Essex. He disappeared from a back and has not been seen since, and a man answering Butler's description and photographs was in Gungah at the time looking for a mate with a little money to join him in a prospecting trip.

The police were also making a vigorous search for traces of a young man named Leugh, who had been seen negotiating with Butler in Sydney. A miner says he was in a lively stable yard when Butler came in and asked the proprietor where Leugh had gone. "The lively stable keeper replied, 'Oh, he does not like the look of you, and has cleared out.' Butler replied, 'Well, I must be after him; I have too good a thing to lose.' The youth Leugh had £200 in his possession. The Government offer a reward of £50 for the discovery of his body. Referring to the expected arrival of Butler in the ship *Swanikilla* at San Francisco, the *Call* of January 7th says the detectives traced Butler to Newcastle and learned that he had gone about the *Swanikilla* which had sailed for San Francisco. Newcastle, N.S.W., and called for a passenger or a guest of Captain Frago as a man before the mast, under the name of Les Walker. Then came the ocean races. Detective M. A. Conroy and Constable McHavie of Sydney, N.S.W., took passage aboard of the steamship *Monowai*, which sailed for Victoria before the *Monowai* left for San Francisco. That the officers were successful we announced yesterday, their work being facilitated by Mr. Moore, British Consul, who at once prepared the necessary extradition papers for them. The local police had been heartily co-operated with the Australian officers during the time they were waiting for the ship, and trans-telegrams yesterday it appears that an American officer got the "drop" on the notorious scoundrel.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS:

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, Pedder's Street on FRIDAY, the 26th day of February, 1897, at 12 o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1896, and the Report of the General Manager and to elect a Consulting Committee of Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 26th February, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers,
HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1897. [2]

THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

TENDERS are invited and will be received up to NOON of 31st March next, at the Offices of the Company, both in BRISBANE and SINGAPORE, for 10,000 CONTRIBUTING SHARES of £1 each Paid-up to 13s. 10d. each THE RAUB AUSTRALIAN GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

Tenders, which should be sealed and superscribed "TENDERS FOR UNALLOTTED SHARES" must quote a price in Sterling per Share for a minimum of 200 Shares or for any multiple of 200 Shares up to the maximum of 10,000 Shares and must be accompanied by 2s. 6d. deposit per Share, which will be returned in case of allotment is made.

SCRIP will be issued on BRISBANE or SINGAPORE REGISTER to suit Purchaser.

The Highest or any Tender not necessarily accepted.

By Order of the Directors,
C. P. DERRICK,
Local Secretary,
Singapore, 1st February, 1897. [26]

THE NAGASAKI HOTEL LIMITED.

CAPITAL\$130,000
LOCAL CURRENCY.
(Payable in full in Nagasaki)
DIVIDED INTO 1,300 SHARES OF 100 DOLLARS EACH.

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F. G. STONE, Esq. (China & Japan Trading Co.)
M. GINSBURG, Esq. (Ginsburg & Co.)
D. ROBERTSON, Esq.
M. F. PAUL, Esq., M.D.

Bankers:—
THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Secretaries (pro. tem.):—
Messrs. HOLME, RINGER & Co.,
NAGASAKI.

Prospectuses and Forms of Application may be obtained from the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION at HONGKONG.
Share List for Hongkong will CLOSE March 15th, 1897.
Nagasaki, 16th February, 1897. [34]

Hotels.

WINDSOR HOTEL, HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the elegant Building known as "CONNAUGHT HOUSE," offers First-class Accommodation to Residents and Travellers.

Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall to each Floor, in charge of experienced Attendants.

Favourable Arrangements made for Families and for Monthly or Extended Periods.

P. BOHL,
Proprietor & Manager
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1895. [5]

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THIS commodious and well appointed HOTEL, situated at a height of 1,250 feet above sea-level, has just been thoroughly re-decorated, renovated and re-furnished, and NEW WING has been built, which commands magnificent Views of the Harbour and mountains of Kowloon.

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THE MANAGER,
New Victoria Hotel
Hongkong, 24th November, 1896. [7]

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THIS Establishment has always enjoyed high class Reputation for Liberality, Menu, Quality of Food and Perfection of Cuisine. THIS REPUTATION WILL BE MAINTAINED.

Fresh Dairy Produce, FRUIT and other supplies are regularly imported from the United States, Canada and Australia. BEEF from Kobe and TURKIES from the Straits.

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Intimations.

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GREEN TURTLE STEAKS for Tiffin.
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SALADS and DELICIOUS ENTREES sent to PRIVATE HOUSES at shortest notice.
WEDDINGS, PRIVATE PARTIES,
TIFINS and DINNERS a Specialty.
Hongkong, 14th December, 1896. [67]

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Hongkong, 1st September, 1896. [38]

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1897.

Intimations.

WASTE OF TIME
for us to "puff" our preparations, as every maker's goods are "the best" in
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CHAMPAGNE BITTERS,
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Proprietors,
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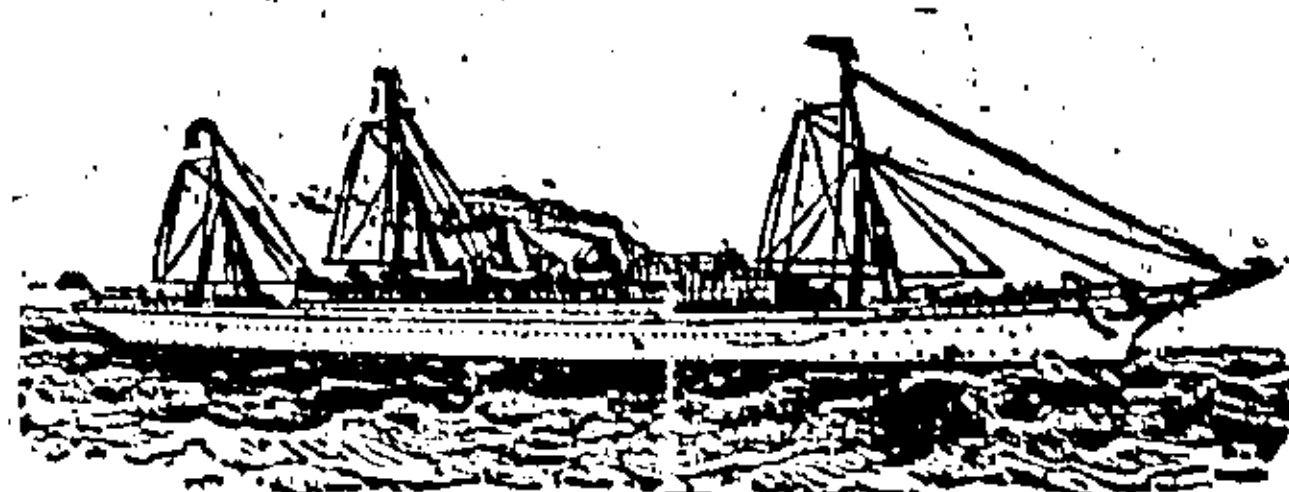
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Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return
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THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by
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For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Fidder's Street. [3]

Hongkong, 17th February, 1897.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, 13th March, at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Thursday, 1st April, at Noon.

Belge (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Thursday, 22nd April, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship.

"GAELIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 13th March, 1897, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares for China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until Five P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1897. [14]F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 2nd March, at Noon.

City of Peking (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 23rd March, at Noon.

China (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 23rd April, at Noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 2nd March, 1897, at Noon.

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Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders FOR OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have, between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1897. [15]

NOTICE.

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THE Steamship

"RAVENNA"

Captain C. T. Denny, R.N.R., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., TO-MORROW, the 25th February, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

SILK and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to
H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1897. [13]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT,
BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
PLACES IN RUSSIA.PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Prussia Tuesday... 1st March.

Sachsen Tuesday... 30th March.

Bayern Tuesday... 27th April.

Prinz Heinrich Tuesday... 15th May.

ON TUESDAY, the 2nd day of March, 1897, at 4 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PREUSSEN" Captain P. Witten, with MAELS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on SATURDAY, the 27th Feb. Cargo and Specie will be received on board until 5 P.M. on MONDAY, the 1st March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 1st March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than 50 lbs and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Lines can be washed on board.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1897. [25]

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Tacoma 25th Tuesday... 1st Mar. 2.

Victoria 30th Tuesday... 1st Mar. 25.

Olympia 25th Tuesday... 1st April.